# ORIGIN OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Originally known as the Neighborhood Justice Center, Community Services opened its doors in 1978. Now a part of Dispute Resolution Services, this program continues to serve the public by helping people work out their differences. Through mediation, community services has helped over 45,000 people resolve their disputes.



#### LAW ENFORCEMENT:

"Mediation is a cost-effective tool for resolving many interpersonal conflicts. When parties get involved in the mediation process, they develop a stake in seeing the problem solved. We view the community mediation program of DRS as an important public service."

 Robert M. Myers, former Santa Monica City Attorney

#### **COMMUNITY LEADERS:**

"Effective communication solves more problems than rules and regulations. By fostering communication, DRS achieves what rules can only suggest." - Helen Albert, former Mayor, City of West Hollywood

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#### MAP



#### Other Locations:

#### **SOUTH BAY:**

710 Pier Avenue, Room 6B Hermosa Beach, CA 90254 Telephone: (310) 372-1608

#### **SANTA MONICA:**

3004 Santa Monica Boulevard, B & C Santa Monica, CA 90404 Telephone: (310) 453-2525

#### **WEST HOLLYWOOD:**

8240 Santa Monica Boulevard West Hollywood, CA 90046 Telephone: (323) 876-2747

# DISPUTE RESOLUTION SERVICES

Mediate
Don't
Litigate



Dispute Resolution Services, Inc. (DRS)

is a non-profit corporation of the Los Angeles County Bar Association 261 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 310 Los Angeles, CA 90012 (562) 570-1019

#### Long Beach Field Office

is located inside the Neighborhood Resource Center 425 Atlantic Avenue Long Beach, CA 90802 (562) 570-1019 **MEDIATION** is a highly successful process in which neutral trained mediators provide people locked into a dispute with a way to communicate and hear one another's concerns.



### MEDIATION IS....

- Confidential
- Quick
- Effective
- Convenient
- Empowering



## **Community Services:**

DRS Community Services offers a quick and FREE way for citizens to resolve disputes through mediation.

# Typical Community Services Disputes can include:

- Landlord/Tenant
- Neighborhood
- Consumer/Merchant
- Employer/Employee
- Small Claims
- Family Law
- Business
- Domestic
- Condominium

DRS will accept self-referrals and referrals from the following collaborative agencies and all City departments:

- Anaheim Street Police Center
- Business Development Center
- Housing Authority
- Long Beach Nonprofit Partnership
- Willmore Police Center
- Wrigley Information and Police Center
- City of Long Beach Animal Care Services
- and all other Departments

